Lands, Judgments and Records in, of, and belonging thereto, for the Redress and Relief whereof, it is humbly Prayed that it may be En-

acted,

VIII

Ot:

A[-

thir

be-

O.

Ex-

aje l

cer-

ong

hat

Ot

iera [

in

and

the

En-

ana

pper

hat

l is

ind

ntir

her

ng.

in

nared

)e-

the

ıds

And be it Enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Confent of her Majesty's Governour, Council and Affembly of this Province, and the Authority of the Same, That it shall and may be lawful to his Excellency, Her Maj sty's Governour of this Province, for the Time being, by Commission under the Great Seal of this Province, to Authorize, Appoint and Commissionate Seven or more Discreet and honest Persons, whereof any three or more of them, from time to time, to Hear and Determine all Differences, Claims and Demands whatsoever, between any the Inhabitants or other Persons interested in the Lands lying within the County aforesaid, at such Places within the said County, as they, or any three or more of them, shall think fit, from time to time, with or without any Adjournment, Summarily, and without the Formality and Proceedings in Courts of Law or Equity, either upon the Verdict or Inquisition of Jurors, Testimony of Witnesses upon Oath, Examination of Parties Interested, or by all or any the said Ways (or otherwise according to the Discretions) and that the Judgment or Sentence of the said Commissioners, or any three or more of them, as aforesaid, shall be final between the faid Parties, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, and all Claiming by, from or under them, touching the Matters and Decrees to be made by the said Commissioners by this Present Act thereunto Authorized, or any three or more of them, the faid Commissioners always giving timely Notice, of not less than fixteen Days, of the Time and Place of their Sitting, saving the Right of all Persons under Age, non sanæ Memoriæ, Feme Coverts and Persons non Resident within this Province, during such Time as they shall continue so, who shall and are hereby allowed to profecute their Claims within Twelve Months after such Disability Removed; and unless any Party Dis-satistyed with fuch Sentence, shall Appeal therefrom within Thirty Days to such Commissioners as his Excellency the Governour, for the Time being is hereby Impowered to Authorize and Appoint by his Commission, for that Purpose under the Great Seal of this Province, not Exceeding Five in Number, whereof the Major Part, of all such Commission is meet, or two in case only three meet, shall finally Determine thereon, in manner aforesaid, without any further Appeal or Review.

And be it Enacted, That the said Commissioners be, and are hereby Impowered to commit and punish, by Fine not exceeding One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, all such Persons who shall disturb the sitting of the

said Commissioners, or wilfully refuse to give Evidence.

And further, for the better Discovery of Persons Rights to Lands Claimed before the said Commissioners, the said Commissioners, or any three or more of them, may and are Impowered to Issue Precepts to the Sheriff and Surveyor of the faid County, to Re-survey and make Returns to the said Commissioners, pursuant to the Tenor of such Precepts and Warrants, which the said Sheriff and Surveyor shall, and are hereby obliged to execute for such reasonable Fees as to the said Commissioners shall seem meet; and also, the said Commissioners shall and may make such Reasonable Table of Fees to their Clerks whom they are to make Choice of, with the Approbation of his Excellency, for the Writing and Recording of any Matters before them and to the Sheriff of the said County, who is hereby enjoyned, his lii 3